take to renovate these caves ?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT (SHRI S.R. BOMMAI) : (a) The centrally protected monuments at Ajanta, Ellora and Elephanta caves are in fairly goods state of preservation. In addition to annual upkeep and maintenance, structural repair, chemcial conservation and environmental development are carried out as per their actual need, depending on archaeological norms.

(b) and (c) Does not arise.

Posting of Doctors

5554. SHRI L. RAMANA : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal to transfer of doctors, who have been working at one hospital/dispensary in Delhi for more than ten years, to rural areas/remote areas irrespective of their seniority during the current year;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI R.L. JALAPPA): (a) to (c) Transfers of doctors, posted in CGHS dispensaries, are generally effected on rational basis. Hospital doctors and specialists are transfered keeping in mind interinstitution deficiencies.

Ther are hardly any rural dispensaries in Delhi.

Employment Assurance Scheme

5555. SHRI KESHAB MAHANTA : Will the Minister of RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the name of districts in Assam where Employment Assurance Scheme is in operation;

(b) the name of districts which are likely to be included in this scheme during 1997-98; and

(c) the amount of grant provided for this purpose during 1996-97 ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI CHANDRADEO PRASAD VARMA) : (a) and (b) All the Districts of Assam have been covered under Employment Assurance Scheme (EAS).

(c) Central assistance amounting to Rs. 10,820.00 lakhs has been released to Assam during 1996-97 under EAS.

AID to Maharashtra for Family Planning Programme

5556. SHRI MADHUKAR SARPOTDAR : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the total Grant-in-aid given to Maharashtra in the year 1996-97 for the family planning programme;

(b) wether Government of Maharashtra has not utilised the Grant-in-aid in full; and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI R.L. JALAPPA): (a) A sum of Rs. 11734.71 lakhs (in cash and kind) has been provided to State Government of Maharashtra during 1996-97.

(b) and (c) The expenditure/utilisation reports are normally received from the State Government after 2 to 3 months from the close of the financial year and therefore, report for 1996-97 is expected to be received around June 1997.

Laboratory Staff Federation Demands

5557. DR. ASIM BALA : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether a representation was received in November, 1996 from University and College Laboratory Staff Federation of India urging for inclusion of entire Laboratory Techincal Staff of Universities and colleges under University Grants Commissiion Pay Scale;

(b) whether any decision has been taken in the matter;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA) : (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Jurala Project

5558. SHRI SHIVANAND H. KOUJALGI : Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :